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### **Sedgwick County Zoo Receives Award from Boeing**

(Sedgwick County, Kansas) – The Sedgwick County Zoo received a \$400,000 donation from the Boeing Company for the De Brazza's and black and white colobus monkey exhibit as part of the future Downing Gorilla Forest. The gift was presented to the Sedgwick County Zoo on Wednesday, October 23.

The 6-acre Gorilla Forest may open as early as May 2004. In addition to the gorillas and De Brazza's and black and white colobus monkeys, the exhibit will include rare okapis, African flamingos, West African crowned cranes and saddle-billed storks.

"This is another example of how the private sector and government are working together to make this an outstanding attraction for our residents and visitors to our community," said Sedgwick County Commission Chairman Ben Sciortino.

For more information on the gift or the Sedgwick County Zoo, contact Christan Baumer at 942-2212 ext. 212.

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